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PATENT APPLICATION

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q61364

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ROTARY CUTTING MACHINE FOR CORRUGATED CARDBOARD PLATE

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

For:

In response to the Office Action dated September 17, 2002, please amend the above-

identified application as follows:

## **IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claim 3 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please enter the following amended claims:

1. (Amended) A cutting machine for cutting a flat cardboard plate having a cardboard, said cutting machine comprising:

a first rotary cutter for cutting an upper portion of the flat cardboard plate;

a second rotary cutter rotatable in a direction counter to a direction of rotation of the first rotary cutter for cutting a lower portion of the flat cardboard plate;